

June 10, 2019

Samuel Sinyangwe

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Dear Samuel Sinyangwe,

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office received your public records request on June 5, 2019. The request was for itemized use of forces, the Ventura County Sheriff's Department policy manual and the current union contract between the City of Ventura and any Ventura County Sheriff's Deputy Unions. The items and responses are listed below.

1. The total number of sheriff's deputy use of force incidents, broken down by type of force used, between 2013-2018 (separated by year).
2. The total number of people that deputies used force against, between 2013-2018 (separated by year).

Pursuant to Government Code section 12525.2, effective January 1, 2016, all law enforcement agencies were required to begin collecting data on use of force incidents that resulted in serious bodily injury or death or involved the discharge of a firearm. They were to be reported annually for submittal to the Department of Justice beginning January 1, 2017. The following is the use of force incident reporting for Ventura County:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Use Of Force Incidents</i>	<i>Type of Force</i>	<i># of People Use Of Force Used Against</i>
<i>2016</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>2017</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Discharge of Rifle</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>2018</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Discharge of Handgun</i>	<i>1</i>
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<i>2018</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Discharge of Rifle</i>	<i>1</i>

3. The total number of use of force complaints reported between 2013-2018 (separated by year).
4. The total number of use of force complaints sustained between 2013-2018 (separated by year).

There are no responsive documents for 2013. In the chart below the number of complaints includes each officer involved, not separate use of force events. Also included are officer involved shootings, since they are investigated as a use of force.

<i>Year</i>	<i># of Complaints Reported</i>	<i>Sustained Allegations</i>
2014	10	0
2015	15	0
2016	17	6
2017	12	1
2018	4	0

5. The policy manual of the sheriff's department.

Attached is the Ventura County Sheriff's Office policy manual made public.

6. The current union contract between the city and any sheriff's deputy/police officer unions.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office has no responsive documents.

This response was researched by the Ventura County Sheriff's Professional Standards Bureau, and crafted by S. Spiropoulos, Office Assistant- Sheriff's Records.

Regards

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Enclosed

VCSO Policy Manual 2018